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Cc: Hesch, Patricia -FS  
Subject: RE: Need for NEPA completion - CE/CX

Yes. The package needs to include a NEPA document concluding that no significant environmental issues are associated with the proposed Partial Revocation of the Withdrawal.

Remember, the decision needs to be limited to that statement. It is not a decision "approving" the partial revocation. That is a Secretarial-level action effected by her (or her designee) signing the PLO.

Respectfully,

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Does the CE/CX need to be included in the withdrawal package to the WO?

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Dee,

Per our discussion late yesterday, I thought we (BLM) could conduct the CX for the Partial Revocation either here in the State Office or at the Field Office. I've since discovered that will not be possible under current workload priorities, especially in the time frame that the CE/CX is needed. So, I regret to inform you that the CE/CX will need to be performed and provided by the Forest Service.

The BLM NEPA Handbook (H-1790-1) provides an exclusion for this action at Appendix 4, #E-3, which states:

Withdrawal revocations, terminations, extensions, or modifications ...  
where  
the land would be opened only to discretionary land laws and where  
subsequent discretionary actions (prior to implementation) are in  
conformance with and are covered by a Resource Management Plan/EIS (or  
plan amendment and EAQ or EIS).

Hopefully the FS NEPA Handbook contains a similar CE/CX.

Let me know.

Respectfully,

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